Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2008-154

Date: = DEC 2 2 2008

In re: NAMIR M. <u>DAMAN</u>, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Rachel A. McCarthy, Bar Counsel

ON BEHALF OF GENERAL COUNSEL: Jennifer J. Barnes, Bar Counsel

On September 5, 2008, the Michigan Attorney Discipline Board issued a "Notice of Automatic Interim Suspension" against the respondent. This resulted from the respondent's guilty plea in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan to marriage fraud, a felony, in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1325(c), and aiding and abetting, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2.

Consequently, on December 15, 2008, the Department of Homeland Security (the "DHS"), initiated disciplinary proceedings against the respondent and petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the DHS. The Office of General Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before EOIR, including the Board and Immigration Courts. The petition will be granted.

ORDER: The petition is granted, and the respondent is hereby suspended, absent a showing of good cause, from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. See 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a); 1292.3(c).

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent is directed to promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, the Immigration Courts, or the DHS that the respondent has been suspended from practicing before these bodies.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall maintain records to evidence compliance with this order.

FURTHER ORDER: The Board directs that the contents of this notice be made available to the public, including at Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of the DHS.

FOR THE BOARD